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Public Service

Cases of selection made by the Madras Serivces Commission on the strength of interview only.

* 299 *Q.*—Mr. M. S. Sreshta: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to place on the table a statement showing the class of cases in which selection is made by the Madras Services Commission as a result of interview only?

A.—Candidates for recruitment to the Madras Ministerial Service and to the posts of Assistant Surgeons in the Madras Medical Service are selected by the Madras Services Commission on the results of competitive examinations. For all other appointments in the provincial and subordinate services for which the Commission selects candidates, the selection is made as a result of interview only. The Government do not consider it necessary to draw up a list of such appointments.

Mr. M. S. Sreshta:—"In the answer given it is stated 'The Government do not consider it necessary to draw up a list of such appointments.' May I ask whether the matter is confidential?"

The hon. Sir Archibald Campbell:—"No, Sir. We have stated here that only candidates for ministerial service and assistant surgeons' posts are selected through competitive examination. It follows that in other cases selection is made by interviews. If the list of such appointments is to be published, it will run to several pages."

Mr. M. S. Sreshta:—"May I know, Sir, whether it can be laid down what matters should be gone into in an interview?"

The hon. Sir Archibald Campbell:—"That is a matter for the Madras Services Commission."

Mr. M. S. Sreshta:—"May I ask the hon. the Revenue Member whether he has considered that the selection may be erratic as it might not be known on what points enquiry was to be made?"

The hon. Sir Archibald Campbell:—"That is not the case."

Hydro-Electric Development

Execution and cost of the Pykara Hydro-Electric Scheme.

* 300 *Q.*—Mr. A. Harischandrudu: Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) in what year the Pykara Hydro-Electric Scheme was started and completed (day, month and year);

(*b*) how much did the whole scheme cost the Government;

(*c*) how much annual income did the Government expect to derive from this scheme according to the estimate, when it was sanctioned; and

(*d*) what the income is that is anticipated in the first year?